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For : **A CYLINDER CLEANING DEVICE AND CYLINDER  
CLEANING FABRIC USED THEREFOR**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to a substantive examination on the merits, please amend the above  
identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 9, lines 22-25, replace with:

Fig. 95 is an explanatory drawing showing a conventional cleaning fabric take-  
up shaft;

Fig. 96 is a cross-sectional view of the schematic arrangement of a cylinder  
cleaning device; and

Page 9, line 16, insert:

Fig. 97A is a side view of a cleaning fabric take-up shaft applied to the cylinder  
cleaning device of the present invention;